

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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1. ☒ This communication is responsive to the amendments filed 3/20/06.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-27.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
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- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
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6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-27 are allowable over the prior art of record.
2. The following is a statement of reasons for the indication of allowable subject matter:

Regarding claim 1, the invention relates to time shifting of video data, including time shifting of digital video data.

The closest references Suzuki (US 6,148,135) discloses a video and audio synchronization controller for decoding coded video and audio data and for synchronizing video data with audio data and a video decoding device in the video and audio reproducing device for preventing the video buffer memory from becoming empty (underflow) or full (overflow), and Morinaga et al (US 6,792,000) disclose a data processing apparatus/method and a data recording medium that are capable of simultaneous recording and reproducing of a digital satellite broadcast program.

However, Suzuki and Morinaga et al fail to explicitly disclose a method, where the method further comprises setting a system time indicator to a stored system time value, wherein the stored system time value is based on a portion of the timing data of the first portion of the packetized data stream, retrieving the video data of the first portion of the packetized data stream for video decoding and storing a second portion of the packetized data stream representing video data and timing data of the program.

Regarding claim 18, the invention relates to time shifting of video data, including time shifting of digital video data.

The closest references Suzuki (US 6,148,135) discloses a video and audio synchronization controller for decoding coded video and audio data and for synchronizing video data with audio data and a video decoding device in the video and audio reproducing device for preventing the video buffer memory from becoming empty (underflow) or full (overflow), and Morinaga et al (US 6,792,000) disclose a data processing apparatus/method and a data recording medium that are capable of simultaneous recording and reproducing of a digital satellite broadcast program.

However, Suzuki and Morinaga et al fail to explicitly disclose a method comprising the steps of during a third mode of operation receiving the multiplexed packetized data stream at the first demultiplexer, selecting the first program from the multiplexed packetized data stream, storing a first program portion of the first program, providing the first program portion to a second demultiplexer, selecting at the second demultiplexer a video portion of the first program portion, decoding the video portion of the first program portion for display, and storing a second program portion of the first program simultaneous to the step of decoding.

Regarding claim 21, the invention relates to time shifting of video data, including time shifting of digital video data.

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synchronizing video data with audio data and a video decoding device in the video and audio reproducing device for preventing the video buffer memory from becoming empty (underflow) or full (overflow), and Morinaga et al (US 6,792,000) disclose a data processing apparatus/method and a data recording medium that are capable of simultaneous recording and reproducing of a digital satellite broadcast program.

However, Suzuki and Morinaga et al fail to explicitly disclose a system, where the system further comprises a first clock recovery module having an input coupled to the first input node, and an output, wherein the first clock recovery module is to generate a clock at the output based upon received timing information transmitted in packets of the multiplexed packetized data stream before the select packets are stored in the storage device, and a decoder having a first input coupled to the output of the first clock recovery module to receive the clock, a second input coupled to the data port of the storage device to receive the select packets, and an output to provide decoded real-time data.

Conclusion

3. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Christopher Onuaku whose telephone number is 571-272-7379. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F.

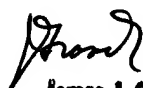
If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, James Groody can be reached on 571-272-7950. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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